# TO: CAMS South Social Studies Department

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**RE: South Full Department Meeting**

**I. PLC Meetings**

* Prompt and Productive
* Upload meeting minutes onto the Social Studies Wiki

# II. Goals

* Focus on 1 area from the Danielson model framework
* EOY- Bring artifacts on growth within that area

# III. Supervision Plans

* Observation
* Self-Directed Study
* Peer Collaboration
* Role of Data

# IV. Common Assessments

* Overview on progress
* Benchmarks
* Trainings

**V. Literacy**

* 15-20 minutes of literacy strategy per lesson
* Primary Sources
* Literacy Coaches
* Communication with ELA (ex: tasks)
* Building writing stamina

**VI. Lessons**

* Student Engagement
* Higher Order Thinking
* Celebrate Student Work
* Provide Focus with LEQ’s (Posted)

**Special Events**

* Geography Bee
* 2012 Election

**VII. Hot Topics**